

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Mathias Alterman et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 1626
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Application No.: 10/721,892	)	Examiner: Laura Lynne Stockton
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Filed: November 26, 2003	)	
	)	Confirmation No.: 5982
For: Tricyclic Compounds Useful as	)	
Angiotensin II Agonists	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

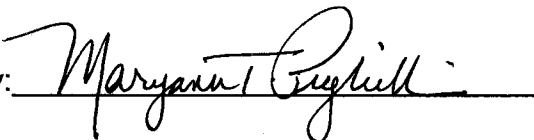
Pursuant to the Notice of Appeal filed on August 14, 2008, Applicants petition for a five-month extension of time to file a reply to the Office Action of March 14, 2008. A fee of \$2,350.00 is enclosed.

Please charge any additional fees required to enter the attached reply to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: March 13, 2009

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